GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1860
ANSWERED ON:03.08.2001
DECENTRALISED PROCUREMENT BY FCI
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether F C Ihas engaged State Government agencies as sub agents of FCI to procurecoarse grains to make the use of infrastructure available with the State Governments;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this decentralized procurement has been instrumental in reducing the economic cost of foodgrains;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether keeping in view the reduction in economic cost of foodgrains, FCI propose toengage more State Government agencies in procurement of foodgrains; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and further steps being taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHAUHAN)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. The State-wise details of sub-agents engaged by the Food Corporation of India (FCI) for procurement of coarsegrains is as under:-

State	Sub-agents
Andhra Pradesh	AP MARKFED
Karnataka	Karnataka State Food & Civil Supplies Corporation(KFCSC)
Maharashtra	State Government
Madhya Pradesh	Madhya Pradesh Civil Supplies Corporation(MPCSC)

The details of coarsegrains procured as on 16.7.2001 by FCI and States Agencies duringthe current Kharif Marketing Season 2000-2001 is at Annexure.

(c)&(d): The question of reduction in the economic cost does not arise as the coarsegrains are purchased by the State Government and its agencies on behalf of FCI.

(e) & (f) : The procurement policy for the relevant crop season is decided in consultation with State Government.It is for the State Government to decide about the engagement for more State Government Agencies for the procurement of coarsegrains.

ANNEXURE
ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) &(b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1860 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 03-08-2001 IN THE LOK SABHA.

DETAILS OF COARSEGRAINS PROCURED BY FCI AND STATE AGENCIES DURING CURRENT KHARIF MARKET SEASON 2000-01 (AS ON 16.7.2001)

(Fig. in MTs)

COMMODITY

Sl.No.	Name of the State	Maize	Jowar	Bajra	Ragi
1.	KARNATAKA				
	FCI	121604	-	-	-
	KFCSC	261012	-	4514	15413
	TOTAL	382616	-	4514	15413
2.	MAHARASHTRA				
	State Govt.	16107	151229	10510	-
3.	M.P.				
	MPCSC	19535	1168	7373	-
4.	ANDHRA PRADESH				
	FCI	20451	-	-	-
	AP MARKFED	22468	-	-	-
	TOTAL	42919			
	GRAND TOAL	461177	152397	22397	15413